

HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA CONSOLIDATED PLAN FOR 2004-2008

FY2005 UPDATE

Citizen's Summary

Beginning in FY1995, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) required states and local communities to prepare a Consolidated Plan in order to receive federal housing and community development funding. The Plan consolidates into a single document the planning and application requirements for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). Consolidated Plans must be prepared every five years, with updates required annually. This Plan includes the 2004-2008 strategic plan and 2005 annual action plan (2004 amended), which represents the second year of the inaugural Consolidated Plan for Hamilton County.

The Consolidated Plan, or Plan, serves four separate but integrated purposes:

- It is a community-based planning document for the County;
- It is the application to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development for the County's formula-based Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds;
- It describes the strategies the County will follow in carrying out its CDBG program for the period October 1, 2004 through September 30, 2008; and
- It includes an annual action plan against which performance may be measured.

Lead and Participating Agencies

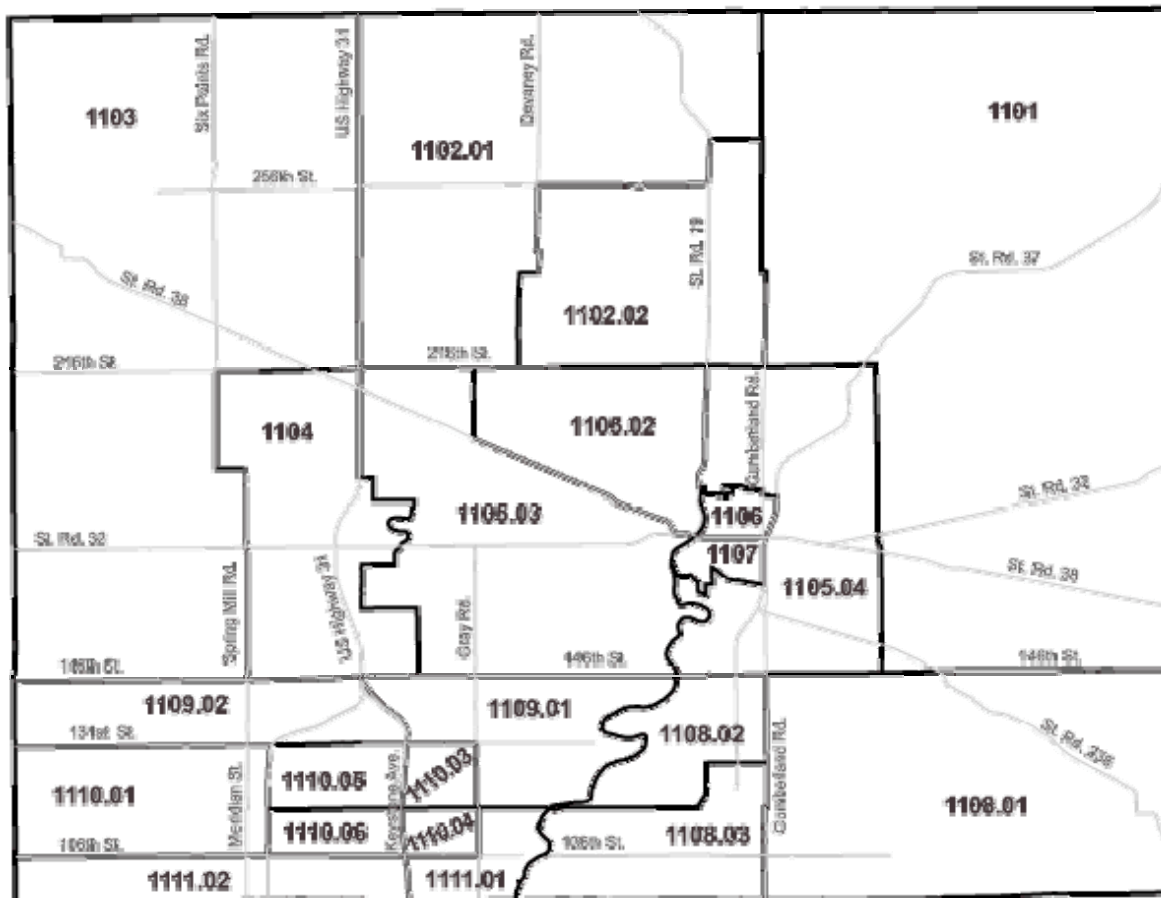
The Noblesville Housing Authority, serving on behalf of Hamilton County, is the lead entity responsible for overseeing the development of the Consolidated Plan, and is the entity responsible for administering the Community Development Block Grant program covered by the Plan.

The Noblesville Housing Authority, serving on behalf of Hamilton County, retained the Indiana Association for Community Economic Development, a statewide not-for-profit association that provides technical assistance to local units of government and other community entities, to assist in the preparation of the Consolidated Plan. The Noblesville Housing Authority staff completed the 2005 Action Plan.

A significant effort was made to involve governmental and not-for-profit representatives at all levels of the planning process. In addition to receiving notice about the public forums and a community survey, a number of these representatives were invited to serve on the Consolidated Plan Working Group. Among the entities with which information regarding the plan was exchanged were local elected officials, service providers, administrators of public housing authorities and several other key stakeholders. A list of Working Group Members and their respective affiliations may be found in Appendix A of the 2004-2008 Consolidated Plan.

Geographic Distribution

Hamilton County 2000 Census Tracts



FIPS CODE		
State	County	Tract
18	057	1103

Source: Census 2000 Tiger files
Map produced by the Indiana Business Research Center, IU Kelley School of Business

The preceding map delineates the Hamilton County census tracts and block groups. Table six lists the LMI block groups. **CDBG funds will be concentrated in those block groups with at least 35.3% low and moderate income households.** When a compelling community development need arises in other areas, the County will evaluate the potential benefit to low and moderate households as well as the County's overall objectives contained in the Consolidated Plan.

Also of importance is the examination of whether any particular racial or ethnic groups experience a disproportionately greater need in comparison to the needs of other groups in relationship to poverty. HUD defines 'disproportionate' as 10 percentage points higher than the percentage of persons in the category as a whole. Based on Census data, there are no racial or ethnic families that are disproportionately represented in the poverty category. The highest percentage of families living in poverty of any racial or ethnic group are Asians at 6 percent.

Homeless and Special Need populations

The county rated the need for emergency shelter as one of its highest housing priorities. Citizens of Hamilton County are concerned that their most vulnerable residents, including the elderly and people that are disabled, are not being served in their home county, but instead are having to travel to another county to secure shelter whether it be permanent affordable or temporary housing.

To begin to address this need the county is exploring the feasibility of developing an emergency shelter. By 2008, a strategy will address how emergency shelter will be provided to Hamilton County residents in Hamilton County. In addition, representatives of Hamilton County are engaged in the State Continuum of Care process where a Development Plan will be created that includes a project concept, feasibility analysis and financing plan.

In the 2005 Action Plan CDBG funds are being provided to support Alternatives, the Madison County Shelter that serves Hamilton County victims of domestic violence. Funds have also been allocated to Family Services of Central Indiana to develop a thriving to Surviving program that will assist victims of domestic violence. The county is also providing urgent need grants to low income homeowners to address health and safety issues that would otherwise force them to leave their homes.

Other Needs

Fostering decent housing

Compared to adjacent counties and the balance of the State, the price of housing in Hamilton County is extremely expensive. Availability of relatively affordable housing has been decreasing as the County has experienced significant growth in the past decade. The data on cost-burdened households demonstrate that an insufficient supply of affordable housing exists. Citizens of Hamilton County are concerned that their most vulnerable residents, including the elderly and people that are disabled, are not being served in their home county, but instead are having to travel to another county to secure shelter whether it be permanent affordable or temporary housing. Over the course of the Five-Year Plan, it is anticipated that 40 homes will be rehabilitated or repaired. Anticipated outcomes are that homeowners will realize an increase in property value and

utility costs will decrease. This outcome is consistent with the 2002 Hamilton County Housing Needs Assessment.

In PY 2004-2005, Hamilton County will allocate over \$379,000 of CDBG funds to fulfill this priority. Approximately 22 homes will be rehabilitated or repaired.

Public Housing improvements/assist troubled public housing agencies

There is no public housing in Hamilton County but the Noblesville Housing Authority administers 180 Section 8 vouchers serving the entire county. They also administer 71 new construction units located in Noblesville.

Lead based paint evaluation and reduction

There were five or fewer children living in Hamilton County who tested positive for lead poisoning in 2003. However, homes built before 1940 on average have paint with 50 percent lead composition. Inadequately maintained homes and apartments are more likely to suffer from a range of lead hazard problems, including chipped and peeling paint and weathered window surfaces. Through the FY 2004-05 Home Rehabilitation program the County CDBG program will address lead issues in any units participating in the activity.

Reduction of poverty level households

Hamilton County does not yet have a formally adopted anti-poverty strategy. However, the formation of the Consolidated Plan is in essence anti-poverty related because a stable living environment is also a service delivery platform. Many of the Consolidated Plan strategies directly assist individuals who are living in poverty. In addition, the goals of the local Office of Family and Children, Township Trustees, United Way, Community Action Agency, Housing Authority and other key service providers have been informally pursuing an anti-poverty strategy as their primary missions.

Development of coordination between housing and service agencies

The Noblesville Housing Authority, lead administrative agent for the consolidated planning process has developed an effective system to partner with other county providers of shelter and services to the low and moderate income population. This is especially evident in the number and variety of public service programs the county is funding with CDBG program funds.

Citizen Participation Process

A philosophy of community inclusion guided the entire Consolidated Planning process. Residents were afforded the opportunity to participate in the development of the Plan in several ways, including:

- 30-day public comment period on the draft Plan; and
- Two public hearings regarding the draft Plan and recommended allocations.

Residents were informed of these opportunities in several ways, including:

- Ads run in the Noblesville Ledger and the Noblesville Daily Times,
- Informational flyers posted at the public housing authority, not-for-profit organizations and in public buildings encouraging public participation, and;
- Several news articles that ran in the Noblesville Daily Times and the Noblesville Ledger highlighting the purpose of the Plan and inviting residents to become involved in the process.

Citizen Comments

There were no comments from Hamilton County residents or any other interested individuals on the Hamilton County 2005 Action Plan (2004 amended).

Other Resources

Hamilton County is working with local grantees to pursue other funding sources to enhance their projects including federal transportation enhancement dollars, other state funding sources and private funding sources such as foundations and local fund raising.

In addition, the Noblesville Housing Authority, through its partner, the Hamilton County Area Neighborhood Developments, Inc. (HAND), will pursue HOME funds to enhance the funds already being spent in the county to enhance the housing choices of the low and moderate income families in Hamilton County. HAND is also working with the Indiana Association of Community and Economic Development (IACED) to develop affordable housing in Hamilton County through a variety of funding sources.

Monitoring Plan

The following monitoring system was developed to ensure that the activities carried out in furtherance of the Plan, are done so in a timely manner in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations, policies and sound management and accounting practices. The Noblesville Housing Authority will be responsible for implementing and administering the Monitoring Plan.

Guidelines. The Monitoring Plan will operate using the following guidelines:

- Detailed contracts will be developed that describe the services to be provided; the cost of the services; specific targeted goals (including appropriate outcomes and indicators) and the timetable for achieving those goals. In addition, contracts will identify all applicable federal, state and local rules and regulations.
- Monthly progress reports will show funds committed to specific activities; monies spent to date; progress toward goals outlined in the contract; information on the beneficiaries of the activity and any problems or additional comments that affect the project/activity. Noblesville Housing Authority staff that is trained to understand HUD requirements to ensure compliance will review reports.
- Claims for reimbursement will not be processed until reports are current and have withstood the scrutiny of review.
- On-site monitoring visits of sub-grantee will be conducted annually to review their internal systems and ensure compliance with applicable requirements. A member of the Noblesville Housing Authority staff will meet with appropriate members of the sub-grantee staff to review procedures, client files, financial records and other pertinent data.
- All records will be retained according to the applicable federal, state or local regulation.

Citizens, public agencies and other interested parties will be afforded reasonable access to records regarding the past use of CDBG funds, consistent with applicable federal, state and local laws regarding privacy and confidentiality; and in accordance with the Citizen Participation Plan.

Records. In order for effective and efficient monitoring, the Noblesville Housing Authority will collect and maintain all records.

COMMUNITY PROFILE

Hamilton County is located in central Indiana immediately north of Indianapolis, the state capital. Despite its reputation for being an affluent county, Hamilton County has a significant population of low income households. This is especially evident in the smaller communities located in the northern half of the county.

Population Characteristics

Overall Growth. The Census reported that in 2004 the population of Hamilton County was 231,760. Hamilton County has the 5th highest county population in the state. In comparison, it was ranked the 12th highest in 1990. The population is projected to reach 298,642 by 2010. Hamilton County represents the fastest growing county in Indiana, with a population increase of 25% since 2000. In comparison, the State of Indiana, experienced a population increase of 2.39% during the same period.

In 2005 the city of Noblesville completed special census. Initial results indicate that the cities population has increased by over 10,000 since 2000 from 28, 590 to 39,087. The data has not yet been confirmed and adopted by the US Census Bureau. The new data will be used after confirmation in the 2006 Action Plan.

Table 1: Population of Hamilton County Cities and Towns

City/Town	Census 2004 Population	Percent of County Population
Arcadia	1,809	.8%
Atlanta	822	.4%
Carmel	58,198	25.1%
Cicero	4,414	1.9%
Fishers	54,330	23.4%
Noblesville	35,438	15.3%
Sheridan	2,691	1.2%
Westfield	11,911	5.1%

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census (6/30/05)

Age. The median age in Hamilton County is 34.1, compared with the State median of 35.2. According to the Census, 45% of all households include persons less than 18 years of age. Hamilton County has experienced a 70 percent increase in families with children.

There have also been significant increases in the number of senior citizens. Even though the percentage of the population age 65 or older has decreased slightly, the actual number of people in this age group has increased from 9,000 to 14,500 (representing an increase of 62%). The aging population in Hamilton County more than doubled between 1960 and 1990. The fastest growing age segment in Indiana is people 75 or older. Census data estimate that 12.4% of Indiana's total population is 65 or older. Hamilton County will most likely be affected by this increase. Elderly people on fixed incomes often require subsidized housing, assisted living facilities, or possible in-home services.

Table 2: Age Distribution of Hamilton County

Age Group	Census 2000 Population	Percent of County Population
Preschool (0-4)	16,578	9.1%
School Age (5 –17)	39,683	21.7%
Adult (18-64)	112,820	61.7%
Older (65 plus)	13,659	7.5%
Median Age	34.1	

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

Poverty. Hamilton County is fortunate to have experienced significant economic prosperity; however, poverty still exists in the community. Hamilton County has the state's lowest poverty rate at 2.9%, which represents 5,300 individuals. There are 388 female headed households with related children under 18 that are living in poverty in Hamilton County. There was an average of 173 families in 2002 who received income support through the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program. This number represents .4 percent of all families who receive TANF in Indiana. Hamilton County residents receiving Food Stamp benefits numbered 1,940 in 2002, representing

.5 percent of Indiana's recipients. In addition, 3,119 students received free and reduced fee school lunch, representing .9 percent of Indiana's recipients.

Table 3: 1999 Cities and Towns Poverty Status

City/Town	Number of People in Poverty	Percent of People in Poverty
Arcadia	176	10.5%
Atlanta	50	7.0%
Cicero	69	1.7%
Fishers	27	3.2%
Noblesville	1,527	5.4%
Westfield	420	4.0%

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

In addition to highlighting the cities and towns with the highest poverty rates, it is important to consider smaller geographic locations of need. Census Tract 1106 has a poverty rate of 13.3 percent. For children under 18 years, the poverty rate increases to 24.3 percent in CT1106. Census Tract 1107 has a poverty rate of 11.2 percent. For children under 18 years, the poverty rate increases to 14.4 in CT1107.

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Employment

The average wage per job in Hamilton County in 2002 was \$37,702, representing an increase of more than 55 percent since 1990. In 2002, there were 111,780 in the labor force compared with 60,550 in 1990. Hamilton County's unemployment rate has consistently run about 2 percent less than the state rate, representing the lowest rate among Indiana's ninety-two counties. In February 2004, the unemployment rate in Hamilton County was 2.6 percent compared to 5.1 percent for the state. The employment base is 99.2 percent non-agricultural. Major occupation groups include administrative support, executive managerial, and sales. County trends favor executive, professional specialty, technicians, and sales. Major employers (more than 1,000 employees) include Conseco, Inc., Sallie Mae, Marsh Supermarkets, Thomson Consumer Electronics, Charles Schwab & Co., and Resort Condominiums International. Although only accounting for 4 percent of occupations, the sectors of accommodations/food services and arts/entertainment/recreation represent significantly lower wages than other sectors. The average annual wage for these two sectors is below \$20,000. This income level would make it nearly impossible for the food service industry employees to live in the county in which they work.

Transportation

The Census reports that 55,035 residents commute out of Hamilton County to Marion County and surrounding areas. At the same time, 24,371 people commute into Hamilton County to work. Due to high levels of growth, present and future traffic demands on all arteries are significant. Major transportation improvements are in various phases of planning and development. Utilization of public transportation or carpools has been limited, although there is significant grassroots interest in a demand-response transit system. Public transportation was repeatedly mentioned as a top priority in all public forums and the community survey.

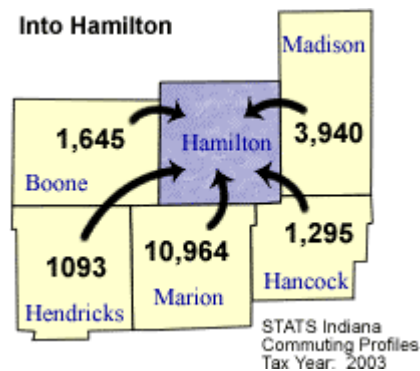
The following tables demonstrate commuter patterns for Hamilton County.

Table 5: Hamilton County Commuter Patterns

**Top five counties sending
workers
INTO Hamilton County:**

Marion County	10,964
workers	
Madison County	3,940
Boone County	1,645
Hancock County	1,295
Hendricks County	1,093
Total of above	18,937

(18.0% of Hamilton County
work force)



**Top five counties receiving workers
FROM Hamilton County:**

Marion County
workers 47,766

Howard County
2,452

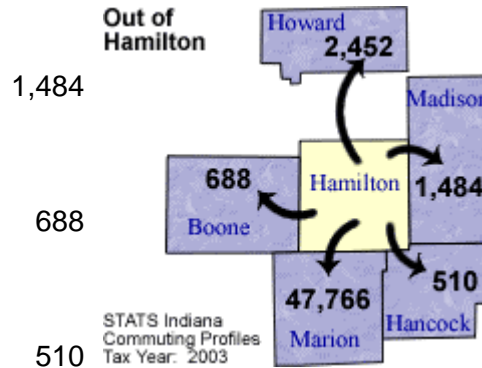
Madison County
1,484

Boone County
688

Hancock County
510

Total of above
52,900

(38.4% of Hamilton County labor
force)



Source: STATS Indiana

Transportation

PrimeLife Enrichment, Inc. provides limited service to the elderly and people with disabilities. In addition, Janus Developmental Services provides public transportation to individuals in Hamilton County, with special priority placed on people with disabilities. The need for public transportation and specialized transportation services for young people, low-income people, the elderly, people with disabilities, employers, and the working poor has been a topic of discussion for several years among numerous stakeholders in the community. A recent study completed by the Step Ahead of Hamilton County, Inc., *Analysis of Services to Adults with Disabilities Who Reside in Hamilton County (2000)*, identified the shortage of transportation services as the greatest unmet need among seniors and the disabled.

The transportation link to self-sufficiency, the workforce and business community, basic skills, and environmental sustainability was also reviewed in the United Way of Central Indiana study, *The Community Assessment: An Assessment of Human Service Assets and Needs in Central Indiana (1998)*.

In general, the County will target the use of CDBG funds to projects in low- and moderate-income areas. When a compelling community development need arises in other areas, the County will evaluate the potential benefit to low and moderate households as well as the County's overall objectives contained in the Consolidated Plan. The table below identifies the areas of Hamilton County that qualify as low- and moderate-income. **It is important to note that Hamilton County is defined as an 'exception county' by HUD, meaning that areas represented by at least 35.3 percent low- and moderate-income individuals qualify under area benefit.** Typically, area benefit is defined as 51 percent low- and moderate-income individuals.

Table 6: Low- and Moderate-Income Areas

Place	Census Tract	Block Group	LMI Households	Percent of LMI
Arcadia	1102.01	2	121	39%
Arcadia	1102.01	3	551	44.4%
Atlanta	1102.01	1	330	46.7%
Cicero	1102.02	2	295	36%
Delaware Township	1108.03	3	26	47.3%
Fishers	1108.01	2	39	52%
Fishers	1108.02	3	9	100%
Jackson Township	1102.02	2	7	100%
Noblesville	1101.00	3	28	41.2%
Noblesville	1105.02	5	512	51.1%
Noblesville	1105.03	2	382	57.5%
Noblesville	1105.04	1	53	100%
Noblesville	1106.00	1	1059	41.5%
Noblesville	1106.00	2	1127	76.3%
Noblesville	1107.00	1	780	51.4%
Noblesville	1107.00	2	942	58.9%
Noblesville	1107.00	3	338	49.6%
Noblesville	1108.01	2	35	100%
Noblesville Township	1105.02	2	19	46.3%
Noblesville Township	1105.02	5	122	56.7%
Washington Township	1103.00	5	166	98.8%
Wayne Township	1101.00	4	403	37.5%
Westfield	1104.00	4	54	36.5%
Westfield	1104.00	1	750	35.9%
Westfield	1104.00	2	288	36.7%
Westfield	1104.00	3	1100	68.9%
White River Township	1101.00	1	477	53.8%
White River Township	1101.00	2	617	37.8%

Source: Indiana HUD Field Office, Hamilton County LMI Areas 2002

Prioritization of Funds. Adhering to CDBG's national objectives, priority will be given to projects that address the housing and community development needs of low- and moderate-income persons, particularly as they are outlined in the Consolidated Plan.

1. In making funding decisions, the County will give priority to activities that:

- Support, complement or are consistent with other current local unit of government plans;
- Are sustainable over time;
- Have demonstrated cooperation and collaboration among government, private nonprofit agencies and the private sector to maximize impacts and reduce administrative costs; and
- Do not have a more appropriate source of funds.

2. A priority population for CDBG-funded services is individuals (especially people of color and people with disabilities) who are denied, by poverty and historical institutional practices, the opportunity to develop their full potential and to enjoy the benefits of community participation. The County will give priority to programs provided through organizations or agencies that demonstrate a commitment to making their services accessible to people through diversity training of staff and Boards, through recruitment and hiring of minority staff and Board members, and through efforts to provide services in an accessible and culturally sensitive manner.

3. A priority population for CDBG-funded services is female-headed households with children, who are currently, and have been historically, disproportionately impacted by poverty.

4. CDBG funded services must, to the fullest extent possible, be appropriate and accessible to people with disabilities, people of color, people with limited or no proficiency in English, and other eligible individuals and families who may face special barriers in accessing services. The County recognizes that while progress is being made in improving access to services and activities, specialized access services are likely to continue to be required in certain instances to ensure that priority populations receive the services they need.

5. The CDBG program was built on a premise of local involvement in directing funds to neighborhood and community needs. The County will give priority to programs that promote community initiatives to identify priority needs and to address those needs. Recognizing the limits on the ability of service systems to meet all needs, the County will seek to leverage resources to promote comprehensive, long-term responses that promote neighborhood self-sufficiency.

6. The County will give priority to programs that provide services addressing the basic needs of our most at-risk populations.

7. The County will give priority to programs that build and support the capacity of local organizations to address the needs of residents.

8. The County will give priority to programs that support economic development and other programs that capture local dollars and prevent them from becoming disinvested in the community.

9. The County will give priority to programs that promote access to quality jobs - positions that pay well enough to support an adequate standard of living, allow the purchase of housing and other basic necessities, offer stability and decent working conditions, and provide opportunities for advancement.

Strategies and Annual Action Plan

Goal I. Expand the supply of safe, decent and affordable housing

A central element to addressing housing needs is expanding the supply of affordable housing through rehabilitation. Compared to adjacent counties and the balance of the State, housing in Hamilton County is extremely expensive. Availability of relatively affordable housing has been decreasing as the County has experienced significant growth in the past decade. The data on cost-burdened households demonstrate that an insufficient supply of affordable housing exists. In addition, the community rated the need for emergency shelter as one of its highest housing priorities. Citizens of Hamilton County are concerned that their most vulnerable residents, including the elderly and people that are disabled or abused, are not being served in their home county, but instead are having to travel to another county to secure shelter whether it be permanent affordable or temporary housing.

The strategies developed to accomplish Goal I include:

Strategy 1: Improve the Quality of Housing Stock through Rehabilitation and Repair

Long-Term Outcome: Over the course of the Five-Year Plan, it is anticipated that 40 homes will be rehabilitated or repaired. Anticipated outcomes are that homeowners will realize an increase in property value and utility costs will decrease. This outcome is consistent with the 2002 Hamilton County Housing Needs Assessment.

Indicators: Increase in homeowner property values, decrease in utility costs.

Strategy 2: Explore the Feasibility of Developing an Emergency Shelter

Long-Term Outcome: By 2008, a strategy will address how emergency shelter will be provided to Hamilton County residents in Hamilton County. Until shelter is available within Hamilton County, the CDBG program will support shelters in adjacent counties that actively provide services and support to Hamilton county residents in need.

Indicators: Representatives of Hamilton County are engaged in the State Continuum of Care process. A development plan will be created that includes a project concept, feasibility analysis and financing plan.

Strategy 3: Develop Partnerships to Promote Single Family Homeownership Opportunities for Low- to Moderate-Income Residents

Long-Term Outcome: Not-for-Profit and For-Profit Affordable Housing Developers, in partnership with Hamilton County, should access appropriate federal, state, local and private funding sources to provide homeownership opportunities for LMI residents in Hamilton County.

In consistency with the 2002 Hamilton County Housing Needs Assessment, these activities should focus on acquisition, rehabilitation and resale projects to benefit low- and moderate-income individuals and families.

Indicators: Identification of not-for-profit and for-profit affordable housing partners, project concepts are proposed to the county, and financing has been secured for development.

Goal II. Strengthen the community's living environment

The majority of Hamilton County residents enjoy a high standard of living and quality of life as evidenced by higher than average incomes, home values, and educational levels. However, there are areas of the community that have not experienced the same levels of development and growth, which may be resulting in or be the result of declining infrastructure. In order to attract and encourage vitality to these areas, investments must be made for improvements in infrastructure, downtown revitalization and historic preservation.

The strategies developed to accomplish Goal II include:

Strategy 1: Provide Critical Infrastructure Improvements to Sidewalks and Flood Drains

Long-Term Outcome: By 2008, it is anticipated that 20 sidewalks and 15 flood drains will be constructed that are vital to both transportation needs and a healthy economic impact.

Indicators: Streetscapes are Improved, Improved Pedestrian Access, Percentage of LMI Persons Served.

Strategy 2: Explore the feasibility of enhancing local communities through downtown revitalization

Long-Term Outcome: Incorporate relevant action items and strategies from the updated Hamilton County Comprehensive Plan, which is still underdevelopment. Update this strategy when Comprehensive Plan is complete.

Indicators: Summary of Comprehensive Plan is included in 2005 Annual Action Plan, New Action Items are proposed that consider downtown revitalization needs in Hamilton County communities. For 2005 Noblesville has committed funds to complete a downtown plan. This plan will look at the physical characteristics of the historic downtown as well as economic indicators.

Strategy 3: Explore the feasibility of enhancing local communities through historic preservation

Long-Term Outcome: Incorporate relevant action items and strategies from the updated Hamilton County Comprehensive Plan which is currently under development. When completed and adopted, this strategy will be updated.

Indicators: Summary of Comprehensive Plan is included in 2005 Annual Action Plan, new action items are proposed that consider the historic preservation needs of Hamilton County communities.

Goal III. Promote community services that increase opportunities for economic self-sufficiency

Essential community services may be the key for individuals with low and moderate income's to move up the economic ladder in Hamilton County. The increasing cost of child care and health care, along with worries about the lack of youth activities and access to transportation make this goal a critical area for consideration.

The strategies developed to accomplish Goal III include:

Strategy 1: Provide public service activities that augment and enhance the human service delivery system of Hamilton County.

Long-Term Outcome: Develop a diverse network of needed services directed toward enhancing the health, safety and overall well-being of LMI individuals and persons with special needs, through the provisions for creating and expanding quality public and private human service programs.

Indicators: Subrecipients will be required to develop indicators that are appropriate measures for their funded applications.

Hamilton County will award these organizations through a competitive process. Once those awards are made, the action item and long-term outcome will be updated to reflect how many individuals are expected to be served.

FY2005 Annual Action Plan Allocation

The Action Items described in the Five Year Strategy consist of the items that will be carried out in PY 2005-06. The following table quantifies the overall Action Plan Allocation for FY2005 in terms of dollar amount. Performance measurements follow in the next table.

Table 7: Target Allocations, FY 2005

Proposed CDBG Action Items	2005 Proposed Allocations	Percent of Total Funding
Goal I, Strategy 1: Improve the Quality of Housing Stock through Rehabilitation and Repair	\$192,845	30%
Goal II, Strategy 1: Provide Critical Infrastructure Improvements to Sidewalks and Flood Drains	\$242,547	38%
Goal III, Strategy 1: Provide Public Service Activities	\$75,495	12%
Administration	\$129,218	20%
Total CDBG Allocation Request	\$646,088	100%

**ACTION PLAN SUMMARY
HAMILTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROPOSED
FY2005 CONSOLIDATED ACTION PLAN AND
AMENDMENT TO THE FY2004 CDBG PROGRAM**

Proposed activities for the Consolidated Action Plan of 2005, amendment to the 2004 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to program \$567,809 in un-obligated funds. An estimated \$646,088 will be available from the FY2005 CDBG grant. In addition, the county will work to procure other federal, state and local funds to enhance and expand their community development efforts.

IMPROVEMENTS TO HOUSING STOCK

CDBG FUNDS

Home Rehabilitation/Repair Loan Program

\$ 112,898

Home rehabilitation or repair loans up to \$25,000 that are deferred and forgivable over 5-15 years are made to very low, low and moderate income single family homeowners. Loans are used to make significant repairs to systems within the unit adversely impacting the health and safety of the units occupants. Systems in need of repair can include plumbing, electrical and structural. The loans are also available to homeowners whose houses have been found to contain lead-based paint hazards. Four (4) homes will be rehabilitated.

Urgent Need Grants

\$ 79,947

Grants to very low and low income single family homeowners for up to \$5,000 to repair/replace a major system of a house where failure to do so will threaten the households immediate health and safety. Funds to repair failed on-site sewerage disposal systems may also be funded by this program. Ten (10) homes will be repaired.

PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE

Noblesville-Hannibal Street improvements

\$ 227,839

The city of Noblesville will improve 1,500 linear feet of Hannibal Street between 10th Street and 14th Street. The project includes new curb and sidewalk as well as the structural resurfacing of Hannibal Street. The project will also provide repairs to the existing catch basins and storm sewers.

Fishers-target area improvements

\$ 218,961

The town of Fishers plans to expend funds in eligible target areas to provide replacement and upgrades to sidewalks and curbs, storm sewer systems, lighting and street repair including ADA compliance upgrades and safety issues including crosswalks and signalization.

Westfield -Sidewalk replacement program

\$ 45,836

The town of Westfield will replace 3,100 linear feet of sidewalk in the near downtown target area. The CDBG funds will be used for the purchase of concrete. The town will provide the labor for preparation and installation of the new sidewalks.

Cicero-Lateral sewer line replacement program **\$ 27,995**

The town of Cicero plans to use funds to assist low income homeowners with the replacement of lateral sanitary sewer lines identified as non-compliant as the result of smoke testing. The town hopes to assist 4 to 6 households.

Arcadia- Park Improvements and Equipment **\$ 17,695**

The town of Arcadia will be using CDBG funds to make improvements to the town park and purchase additional park equipment. Improvements include 1,212 linear feet of fencing and the purchase of new playground equipment. The town hopes to leverage the funds with other funding sources.

Atlanta-Purchase of Park Equipment **\$ 5,891**

The town of Atlanta will be using CDBG funds to purchase additional park equipment. The town hopes to leverage the funds with other funding sources.

PUBLIC SERVICES

Family Services of Central Indiana **\$ 20,560**

From Surviving to Thriving-A program to assist victims of spousal abuse through counseling and supportive services. 100 people will be served.

Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County **\$ 1,955**

Expansion of existing service to provide additional meals to elderly and home-bound residents of Hamilton County. 177 people will be served.

Riverview Community Health Clinic **\$ 21,500**

This program will provide funding for the purchase of equipment that will allow for expanded services and an increase in the amount of patients treated. The program serves 7,000 people annually.

Alternatives, Inc. of Madison County **\$ 21,000**

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The Salvation Army **\$ 22,000**

Emergency Assistance Payments-The program will provide emergency payments for very low and low income residents of Hamilton County. The payments can be used for a variety of emergency uses including utilities, rent/mortgage, car repairs, etc.. Approximately 40 households will be served.

Community Caring Foundation**\$ 21,500**

Development Coordinator-The project will assist with the initial years funding for a development Coordinator. The position will recruit and coordinate volunteers that will provide services to elderly and handicapped individuals. The program expects to serve an additional 100 households as a result of the recruitment efforts.

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ADA accessibility-funds will be used to remodel an existing restroom for ADA compliance as well as construct an ADA compliant ramp and entrance system for the building. About 2,500 low income patients are served each year.

Westfield Public Library**\$ 6,000**

English as a Second Language (ESL)-ESL will be provided to LMI individuals. About 50 LMI people will be served.

ADMINISTRATION**Administration and Fair Housing****\$ 129,218**

Noblesville Housing Authority will provide overall program management and oversee all program design and implementation activities of sub-recipients or contracted services. Noblesville Housing Authority will also administer and implement fair housing activities in conjunction with the Hamilton County Community development Block Grant program.

HUD Table 3
Consolidated Plan Listing of Projects
FY2005

Project Title: Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation

Project Description

Improve the Quality of Housing Stock through Rehabilitation and Repair by providing assistance to homeowners to address code and safety violations through interior repairs, exterior rehabilitation, and repairs to roofs and porches; and by providing grants for emergency mechanical repairs; provide emergency assistance to correct conditions that threaten health and safety; and provide minor repairs for senior citizens.

HUD Matrix Code 14A	CDBG Citation 570.202
Location Community Wide	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Housing
Start Date 10/01/2005	Completion Date 09/30/2006
Performance Indicator Housing Units	Annual Units 4units
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 4

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$ 112,898
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$112,898

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Urgent Need Grants**Project Description**

Grants to very low and low income single family homeowners for up to \$5,000 to repair/replace a major system of a house where failure to do so will threaten the households immediate health and safety. Funds to repair failed on-site sewerage disposal systems may also be funded by this program.

HUD Matrix Code 14A	CDBG Citation 570.202
Location Community Wide	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Housing
Start Date 10/01/2005	Completion Date 09/30/2006
Performance Indicator Housing Units	Annual Units 10 units
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 10

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$79,947
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$ 79,947

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Noblesville – Hannibal Street Improvements**Project Description**

The city of Noblesville will improve 1,500 linear feet of Hannibal Street between 10th Street and 14th Street. The project includes new curb and sidewalk as well as the structural resurfacing of Hannibal Street. The project will also provide repairs to the existing catch basins and storm sewers.

HUD Matrix Code 03K	CDBG Citation 570.201(c)
Location Hannibal from 10 th to 14 th Street	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate area benefit
Start Date 10/01/2005	Completion Date 09/30/2006
Performance Indicator Public Facilities	Annual Units 1 unit
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 1

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$227,839
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$227,839

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Fishers – Target Area Improvements**Project Description**

The town of Fishers plans to expend funds in eligible target areas to provide replacement and upgrades to sidewalks and curbs, storm sewer systems, lighting and street repair including ADA compliance upgrades and safety issues including crosswalks and signalization.

HUD Matrix Code 03K	CDBG Citation 570.201(c)
Location	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate area benefit
Start Date 10/01/2005	Completion Date 09/30/2006
Performance Indicator Public Facilities	Annual Units
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$218,961
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$218,961

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Westfield – Sidewalk Replacement Project**Project Description**

The town of Westfield we replace 3,100 linear feet of sidewalk in the near downtown target area. The CDBG funds will be used for the purchase of concrete. The town will provide the labor for preparation and installation of the new sidewalks.

HUD Matrix Code 03L	CDBG Citation 570.201(c)
Location Eligible old town Target Area	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate area benefit
Start Date 10/01/2005	Completion Date 09/30/2006
Performance Indicator Public Facilities	Annual Units 1 unit
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 1

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$45,836
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$45,836

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Cicero – Lateral Sewer Replacements**Project Description**

The town of Cicero plans to use funds to assist low income homeowners with the replacement of lateral sanitary sewer lines identified as non-compliant as the result of smoke testing. The town hopes to assist 4 to 6 households.

HUD Matrix Code 14A	CDBG Citation 570.202
Location Eligible old town Target Area	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Income Housing
Start Date 10/01/2005	Completion Date 09/30/2006
Performance Indicator Housing Units	Annual Units 5 units
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 5 units

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$27,995
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$27,995

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Arcadia – Park Improvements and Equipment

**Project Description Fencing in of children’s play area as well as entire park.
Purchase of playground equipment for children’s area.**

HUD Matrix Code 03F	CDBG Citation 570.201(c)
Location Eligible Town Target Area	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Area Benefit
Start Date 10/01/2005	Completion Date 09/30/2006
Performance Indicator Public Facilities	Annual Units 1 unit
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 1

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$17,695
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$17,695

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Atlanta– Purchase of Park Equipment

Project Description
Purchase of park equipment

HUD Matrix Code 03F	CDBG Citation 570.201(c)
Location Eligible Town Target Area	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Area Benefit
Start Date 10/01/2005	Completion Date 09/30/2006
Performance Indicator Public Facilities	Annual Units 1 unit
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 1

Funding Sources:

CDBG	..... \$5,891
ESG	.....
HOME	.....
HOPWA	.....
Total Formula	.....
Prior Year Funds	.....
Assisted Housing	.....
PHA	.....
Other Funding	.....
Total	..... \$5,891

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Family Services of Central Indiana – From Surviving to Thriving

Project Description

From Surviving to Thriving-A program to assist victims of spousal abuse through counseling and supportive services. 100 people will be served.

HUD Matrix Code 05G	CDBG Citation 570.201(e)
Location Hamilton County	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Limited Clientele
Start Date 01/01/2006	Completion Date 12/31/2006
Performance Indicator People	Annual Units 100 people
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 100 people

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$20,560
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$20,560

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County – Expansion of Service

Project Description

Expansion of existing service to provide additional meals to elderly and home-bound residents of Hamilton County. 177 people will be served.

HUD Matrix Code 05	CDBG Citation 570.201(e)
Location Hamilton County	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Limited Clientele
Start Date 01/01/2006	Completion Date 12/31/2006
Performance Indicator People	Annual Units 177 people
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 177 people

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$1,955
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$1,955

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Riverview Community Health Clinic –

Project Description

This program will provide funding for the purchase of equipment that will allow for expanded services and an increase in the amount of patients treated. The program serves 7,000 people annually.

HUD Matrix Code 05M	CDBG Citation 570.201(e)
Location Hamilton County	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Area Benefit
Start Date 01/01/2006	Completion Date 12/31/2006
Performance Indicator Public Facilities	Annual Units 1 Unit
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 1

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$21,500
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$21,500

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
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Project Title: Alternatives, Inc. of Madison County – Emergency Shelter

Project Description

Provision of Emergency Shelter for Hamilton County victims of domestic violence. The program will serve 10 Hamilton County households.

HUD Matrix Code 05G	CDBG Citation 570.201(e)
Location Hamilton County	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Limited Clientele
Start Date 01/01/2006	Completion Date 12/31/2006
Performance Indicator Households	Annual Units 10 Households
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 10 Households

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$21,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$21,000

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☒ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities ☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Saint Vincent DePaul – Food Voucher Program

Project Description

Expansion of food voucher program-this program will provide food vouchers for up to 450 low and moderate income households. The vouchers may be used for perishable and non-perishable items excluding alcohol and tobacco products.

HUD Matrix Code 05Q	CDBG Citation 570.204
Location Hamilton County	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Area Benefit
Start Date 01/01/2006	Completion Date 12/31/2006
Performance Indicator Households	Annual Units 450 households
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 450 households

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$21,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$21,000

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
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Project Title: The Salvation Army – Emergency Payment Program**Project Description**

Emergency Assistance Payments-The program will provide emergency payments for very low and low income residents of Hamilton County. The payments can be used for a variety of emergency uses including utilities, rent/mortgage, car repairs, etc.. Approximately 40 households will be served.

HUD Matrix Code 05Q	CDBG Citation 570.204
Location Hamilton County	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Area Benefit
Start Date 01/01/2006	Completion Date 12/31/2006
Performance Indicator Households	Annual Units 40 households
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 40 households

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$22,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$22,000

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Community Caring Foundation – Volunteer Development Coordinator

Project Description

Development Coordinator-The project will assist with the initial years funding for a development Coordinator. The position will recruit and coordinate volunteers that will provide services to elderly and handicapped individuals. The program expects to serve an additional 100 households as a result of the recruitment efforts.

HUD Matrix Code 05	CDBG Citation 570.201(e)
Location Hamilton County	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Area Benefit
Start Date 01/01/2006	Completion Date 12/31/2006
Performance Indicator Households	Annual Units 100 households
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 100 households

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$21,500
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$21,500

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Westfield Public Library – English as a Second Language

Project Description

English as a Second Language (ESL)-ESL will be provided to LMI individuals. About 50 LMI people will be served.

HUD Matrix Code 05	CDBG Citation 570.201(e)
Location Hamilton County	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Area Benefit
Start Date 01/01/2006	Completion Date 12/31/2006
Performance Indicator People	Annual Units 50 People
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 50 People

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$6,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$6,000

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic – Legal Services and Education

Project Description

Legal Aid-The program will provide legal services and preventive law education to eligible households in Hamilton County. About 300 clients will be served. The legal services can include landlord/tenant, subsidized housing and other voucher programs, mortgage foreclosure and loss mitigation, debt and bankruptcy and predatory lending. NCLC will also provide at least one preventive law workshop per month.

HUD Matrix Code 05C	CDBG Citation 570.201(e)
Location Hamilton County	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Area Benefit
Start Date 01/01/2006	Completion Date 12/31/2006
Performance Indicator Household	Annual Units 300 Units
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 300

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$21,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$21,000

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Trinity Free Clinic – ADA accessibility and Restroom Rehab

Project Description

ADA accessibility-funds will be used to remodel an existing restroom for ADA compliance as well as construct an ADA compliant ramp and entrance system for the building. About 2,500 low income patients are served each year.

HUD Matrix Code 03P	CDBG Citation 570.201(c)
Location Hamilton County	CDBG National Objective Low/Moderate Area Benefit
Start Date 01/01/2006	Completion Date 12/31/2006
Performance Indicator Public Facilities	Annual Units 1 Unit
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion 1

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$4,000
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$4,000

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
☐ Public Housing Needs

Project Title: Administration**Project Description**

Plan, program, monitor, and report on the annual CDBG entitlement grant programs in the manner necessary to maximize the effectiveness of grant resources in compliance with program regulations; inform and involve citizens; affirmatively further Fair Housing opportunities; provide full accountability for the use of federal funds.

HUD Matrix Code 21A	CDBG Citation 570.206
Location Community Wide	CDBG National Objective Within 20% administrative guideline
Start Date 10/01/2005	Completion Date 09/30/2006
Performance Indicator Monitoring functions are completed; attendance at public forums/hearings is increased; funds are expended within 18 months	Annual Units Not applicable
Local ID TBD	Units Upon Completion Not applicable

Funding Sources:

CDBG	\$129,218
ESG	
HOME	
HOPWA	
Total Formula	
Prior Year Funds	
Assisted Housing	
PHA	
Other Funding	
Total	\$129,218

The primary purpose of the project is to help: ☐ the Homeless ☐ Persons with HIV/AIDS ☐ Persons with Disabilities
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Hamilton County Proposed CDBG funding for FY2004 (amended) and FY2005

Project	Description	FY2004	FY2005	04-05 totals
1. Home Rehab/Repair Loan program	10 units (04-6 units; 05-4 units)	\$ 187,102*	\$ 112,898	\$ 300,000
2. Urgent Need Grants	12 units		\$ 79,947	\$ 79,947
3. Noblesville-Hannibal Street Improvements	1,500 lf from 10th St. to 14th St.	\$ 227,839		\$ 227,839
4. Fishers-Target Area Improvements			\$ 218,961	\$ 218,961
5. Westfield-Sidewalk replacement project	3,100 lf of sidewalk	\$ 45,836		\$ 45,836
6. Cicero-Lateral sewer replacements	5-7 households	\$ 27,995		\$ 27,995
7. Arcadia-Community Park Project	Purchase of Park Equipment		\$ 17,695	\$ 17,695
8. Atlanta-Park Equipment	Purchase of park equipment		\$ 5,891	\$ 5,891
9. Family Services of Central Indiana	From surviving to thriving; domestic violence	\$ 20,560		\$ 20,560
10. Meals on Wheels of Hamilton County	expansion of service	\$ 1,000	\$ 995	\$ 1,955
11. Riverview Community Health Clinic	Relocation Assistance	\$ 21,500		\$ 21,500
12. Alternatives, Inc. of Madison County	Shelter for DV victims	\$ 21,000		\$ 21,000
13. Saint Vincent DePaul	Food voucher program	\$ 21,000		\$ 21,000
14. The Salvation Army	emergency payments		\$ 22,000	\$ 22,000
15. Community Caring Foundation	volunteer coordinator		\$ 21,500	\$ 21,500
16. Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic	LMI legal services/education		\$ 21,000	\$ 21,000
17. Trinity Free Clinic	ADA accessibility/ restroom rehab		\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
18. Westfield Public Library	ESL		\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
19. Administration and Fair Housing		\$ 141,952 *	\$ 129,218	\$ 271,170
Total		\$ 709,761	\$ 646,088	\$1,355,849
Public Service Subtotal		\$ 85,050	\$ 75,495	
Public Service %		12%	12%	

*not part of amendment request

LOCAL GOVERNMENT CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing -- The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing, which means it will conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintain records reflecting that analysis and actions in this regard.

Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR 24; and it has in effect and is following a residential antidisplacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG or HOME programs.

Drug Free Workplace -- It will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

1. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
2. Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about -
 - (a) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - (b) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - (c) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - (d) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
3. Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph 1;
4. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph 1 that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will -
 - (a) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - (b) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
5. Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b) from an employee or otherwise receiving

actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;

6. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b), with respect to any employee who is so convicted -
 - (a) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
 - (b) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
7. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Anti-Lobbying -- To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction -- The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan -- The housing activities to be undertaken with CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA funds are consistent with the strategic plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 135.

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Hamilton County Commissioner
Title

Specific CDBG Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan -- Its consolidated housing and community development plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that provide decent housing, expand economic opportunities primarily for persons of low and moderate income. (See CFR 24 570.2 and CFR 24 part 570)

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan (or Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy) that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it certifies that it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low and moderate income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available);
2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds during program year(s) 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008, shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period;
3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds guaranteed funds by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

The jurisdiction will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, unless CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds. Also, in the case of properties owned and occupied by

moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction;

Compliance With Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3601-3619), and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of part 35, subparts A, B, J, K and R, of title 24;

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Hamilton County Commissioner

Title

APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS:

A. Lobbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

B. Drug-Free Workplace Certification

1. By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement, the grantee is providing the certification.
2. The certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. If it is later determined that the grantee knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, HUD, in addition to any other remedies available to the Federal Government, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
3. For grantees other than individuals, Alternate I applies.
4. For grantees who are individuals, Alternate II applies.
5. Workplaces under grants, for grantees other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the grantee does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the grantee must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for Federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the grantee's drug-free workplace requirements.
6. Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (e.g., all vehicles of a mass transit authority or State highway department while in operation, State employees in each local unemployment office, performers in concert halls or radio stations).

7. If the workplace identified to the agency changes during the performance of the grant, the grantee shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously identified the workplaces in question (see paragraph five).
8. The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance (Hamilton County, Indiana)

Check ___ if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here; The certification with regard to the drug-free workplace required by 24 CFR part 24, subpart F.

9. Definitions of terms in the Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grantees' attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules:

"Controlled substance" means a controlled substance in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C.812) and as further defined by regulation (21 CFR 1308.11 through 1308.15);

"Conviction" means a finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendere) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or State criminal drug statutes;

"Criminal drug statute" means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, use, or possession of any controlled substance;

"Employee" means the employee of a grantee directly engaged in the performance of work under a grant, including: (i) All "direct charge" employees; (ii) all "indirect charge" employees unless their impact or involvement is insignificant to the performance of the grant; and (iii) temporary personnel and consultants who are directly engaged in the performance of work under the grant and who are on the grantee's payroll. This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the grantee (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the grantee's payroll; or employees of subrecipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).